

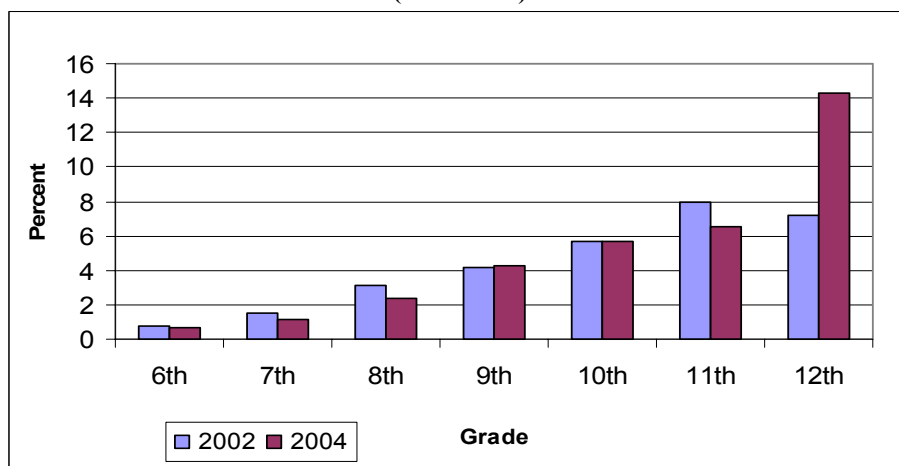
Methamphetamine & Amphetamines

Maine Drug Use Fact Sheet – April 2005 Community Epidemiology Surveillance Network (CESN)

Methamphetamine abuse has been moving eastward nationally and is now increasing in Maine. Although absolute numbers are small, all statewide methamphetamine indicators have trended upward since 2002. Staying on top of these trends will be very important in the next few years.

- In 2004, 14% of 12th grade respondents reported any lifetime use of stimulants*, excluding cocaine/crack, double the 7% who had reported any lifetime use in 2002.*

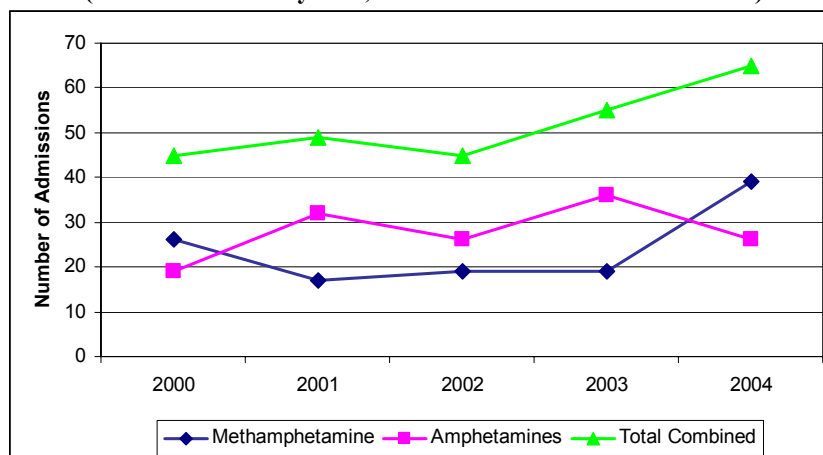
Percent reporting any lifetime use of stimulants* by grade, 2002 and 2004
(MYDAUS)



*The MYDAUS question referred to amphetamines, 'meth', 'crystal', and 'crank'

- The number of methamphetamine related arrests by the Maine Drug Enforcement Agency in 2004 has tripled from 4 in 2002 to 12 arrests in 2004.*
- The number admitted for methamphetamine addiction increased to 39 in 2004 from 19 in 2002 and 2003.*

Admissions due to the primary problem of methamphetamine and amphetamine abuse in Maine, 2000-2004
(Treatment Data System, Maine Office of Substance Abuse)



Note: Methamphetamine and amphetamine admissions constitute very small percent of all admissions; hence the above graph shows actual numbers rather than percentages.

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